

ABSTRACT

A crankshaft has a helical drive gear formed as one of the crank webs at an end portion thereof. Another crank web outside of the drive gear is made in two parts, an integral balance weight mounting portion and a removable balance weight. In one embodiment, a crankshaft 12 features a crankshaft body 33 including a gear 24 for outputting rotation
5 formed on one side of a crankpin 17d. The crankshaft also includes a first balance weight mounting portion 30g formed on the other side of the crankpin 17d and a first balance weight 31g to be mounted to the first balance weight mounting portion 30g. The crankshaft body 33 may be formed with a second balance weight mounting portion 30a separately from the first balance weight mounting portion 30g, and a second balance weight 31a mounted to the
10 second balance weight mounting portion.